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1. At the beginning of February 1948, six miners from the barium mines at Skofljica (six kilometers south of Ljubljana) obtained permission from the Slovene authorities to proceed with the development of a new rich area of barium deposits. The miners promised to have operations under way by the end of April.
2. The deposit of barium discovered by these miners is located near Litija (twenty kilometers east of Ljubljana) and measures some thirty kilometers in length by two or three kilometers in width.
3. Barium is of particular importance to the dye factory at Domzale, to the chemical industry at Krastnik and to the metallurgical plants at Celje.

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